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## Federal Opportunities

**FY04 Food Stamp Program (FSP) Outreach Grants.** *The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)/Food and Nutrition Service (FNS)* announces funds to study the effectiveness of strategies to inform and educate eligible low-income people not currently participating in the FSP about nutrition benefits of the program, eligibility rules, and how to apply so they can make an informed decision whether to participate in the program. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations and public organizations, with the exception of state and local food stamp agencies. The deadline for applications is May 14, 2004. Approximately \$1 million is available to make grants of up to \$125,000. For further information, contact Lynn Rodgers at (703) 305-2760 or [lynn.rodgers@fns.usda.gov](mailto:lynn.rodgers@fns.usda.gov); or go to: [http://www.fns.usda.gov/fsp/outreach/2004\\_grants/default.htm](http://www.fns.usda.gov/fsp/outreach/2004_grants/default.htm).

**FY04 Food Stamp Program (FSP) Participation Grants.** *The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)/Food and Nutrition Service (FNS)* announces funds to support projects that develop and implement simple food stamp application and eligibility determination systems or measures to improve access to food stamp benefits. Eligible applicants include states, local government, private nonprofit organizations, and community- and faith-based organizations. The deadline for applications is May 7, 2004. Approximately \$5 million is available. For further information, contact Lynn Rodgers at (703) 305-2760 or [lynn.Rodgers@fns.usda.gov](mailto:lynn.Rodgers@fns.usda.gov); or go to: [http://www.fns.usda.gov/fsp/government/2004\\_grant/default.htm](http://www.fns.usda.gov/fsp/government/2004_grant/default.htm).

**FY04 National Brownfields Assessment, Revolving Loan Fund, and Cleanup Grants –Reopening.** *The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)* announces the reopening of funds to address sites contaminated by petroleum and hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, general-purpose units of local government, land clearing authorities, redevelopment agencies and states. The deadline for applications is March 9, 2004. Approximately \$100 million is available to fund 200 awards. For further information, contact EPA's Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response at (202) 566-2777; or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/04-2819.txt>

**Labor-Management Cooperation Program.** *The Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service (FMCS)* announces funds to encourage and support the establishment and operation of company/plant, area, public sector, and industry-wide labor management committees for the purpose of improving labor-management relationships, job security, and organizational effectiveness. Eligible applicants include state and local government units, labor-management committees, labor unions, and management associations. The deadline for applications is June 30, 2004. Approximately \$1.5 million is available to make grants ranging from \$65,000-\$125,000. For further information, contact Linda E. Stubbs at (202) 606-8181; or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/04-3033.txt>.

**Minority Business Development Center Program.** *The Department of Commerce (DOC)/Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA)* announces fund to provide standardized business assistance services to rapid growth potential Minority Business directly; to develop a network of strategic

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partnerships, and provide strategic business consulting. Eligible applicants include state and local government entities, nonprofit organizations, small businesses, for-profit organizations, and private institution of higher education. The deadline for applications is March 12, 2004. Approximately \$2.3 million is available for 30, ranging from \$200,639-\$346,463. For further information, contact Juanita Berry at (202) 482-3262 or [jberry@mbda.gov](mailto:jberry@mbda.gov); or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/04-2983.txt>.

## **Public Telecommunications Facilities Program.**

*The Department of Commerce (DOC)/National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA)* announces funds for planning and construction of public telecommunications facilities to (1) extend delivery of services to as many citizens as possible by the most cost-effective means, including use of broadcast and non-broadcast technologies; (2) increase public telecommunications services and facilities available to, operated by, and controlled by minorities and women; and (3) strengthen the capability of existing public television and radio stations to provide public telecommunications services to the public. Eligible applicants include public or non-commercial educational broadcast stations; noncommercial telecommunications entities, nonprofit foundations, corporations, institutions, or associations organized primarily for educational or cultural purposes, state and local government. The deadline for applications is March 31, 2004. Approximately \$19.75 million is available to make grants ranging from \$7,979-\$304,872. For further information, contact William Cooperman at (202) 482-5802; or go to: <http://www.ntia.doc.gov/ptftp>. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

**Wetland Program Development Grant.** *The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)* announces funds to conduct projects that promote the coordination and acceleration of research, investigations, experiments, training, demonstrations, surveys, and studies relating to the causes, effects, extent, prevention, reduction, and elimination of water pollution. Eligible applicants include states, local government agencies, and national nonprofit, non-governmental organizations. Contact Alva Brunner, Point of Contact for Regional III, for appropriate deadline for Region III. Approximately \$15 million is available to make grants ranging from

\$11,000-\$496,000. For further information, contact Connie Cahanap at (202) 566-1382 or [Cahanap.concepcion@epa.gov](mailto:Cahanap.concepcion@epa.gov) or Alva Brunner (215) 814-2715 or [brunner.alva@epa.gov](mailto:brunner.alva@epa.gov); or go to: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-2818.htm>. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

## **District Opportunities**

**AMENDMENT II - FY2004 Latino Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Services.** *The Mayor's Office on Latino Affairs (OLA)* has a second amendment to its Latino Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Services Request for Applications (RFA). For a copy of the specific changes, contact Deidre M. Hunt, CDH Management and Consulting, at (202) 641-5766; or go to: [http://opgd.dc.gov/info/grant/funding\\_grants/index.sh](http://opgd.dc.gov/info/grant/funding_grants/index.sh) [tm](http://opgd.dc.gov/info/grant/funding_grants/index.sh).

**Electronic Grants Clearinghouse.** *The DC Office of Partnerships and Grants Development* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are still available at [http://opgd.dc.gov/info/grant/funding\\_grants/index.sh](http://opgd.dc.gov/info/grant/funding_grants/index.sh) [tm](http://opgd.dc.gov/info/grant/funding_grants/index.sh) for the following notices:

*DC Department of Health (DOH)/HIV/AIDS Administration (HAA), FY 2004 Ryan White Title II Grant*, February 9, 2004, at 5pm.

*The Mayor's Office on Latino Affairs (OLA), FY2004 Latino Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Services*, February 20, 2004, at 5pm.

*The DC State Education Office (SEO), FY2004 Teacher Quality Improvement Grant Program*, March 19, 2004, at 5pm.

*The Office of the Secretary (OS), Escheated Estates*, March 26, June 25, September 24, and December 30, 2004.

## **Foundation Opportunities**

**Financial Literacy.** *The American Express Foundation* supports financial literacy and education projects as part of the American Express Economic Independence Fund. The program is designed to

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support the delivery of financial literacy education to underserved adult segments of society, including the newly employed, young workers, individuals moving from welfare to work, and immigrants. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations whose clients are representative of the underserved audiences targeted by the fund. The deadline for applications is March 5, 2004. Approximately \$500,000 is available to fund grant between \$15,000-\$30,000. For further information, go to: <http://www.nefe.org/amexeconfundrfp/aeeif2004rfp.html>.

**Food Policy.** *The W.K. Kellogg Foundation (WKKF)* requests pre-proposals for collaborative public policy projects supportive of the broad goals and objectives of its Food and Society (FAS) Initiative. Prospective grantees should propose innovative work plans and partnership structures designed to promote public policies that will bring about a more sustainable and healthy future for the U.S. agriculture and food system. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for pre-proposals is April 12, 2004. Approximately \$5 million will be granted over multiple years. For further information, go to: <http://www.wkkf.org/Programming/NewsItem.aspx?CID=4&ID=477>. Pre-proposals should be submitted electronically to the W.K. Kellogg Foundation at [fasrfp@wkkf.org](mailto:fasrfp@wkkf.org).

**Housing and Community.** *The Fannie Mae Foundation* dedicates the majority of its competitive grants to providing general operating support to nonprofit organizations to help build their capacity, increase their impact, and operate more efficiently and effectively. Eligible applicants include national, regional, and local organizations working to: increase the affordable housing supply; increase sustainable homeownership and build individual and community wealth; and create healthy and vibrant neighborhoods in Washington, DC. The deadline for applications is April 13, 2004. Complete information on the foundation's 2004 funding priorities and application process will be posted on its website by March 15, 2004. You will be able to access the online application form from the site at that time. For further information, contact Grants Management at (202) 274-8057 or [grants@fanniemaefoundation.org](mailto:grants@fanniemaefoundation.org); or go to: <http://www.fanniemaefoundation.org/>.

**Performing Arts.** *The Creative Capital Foundation's* Multi-Arts Production (MAP) Fund (previously a project of the Rockefeller Foundation) encourages the boldest and most creative approaches to new work in the performing arts. It fosters work that explores the dynamics of contemporary culture and supports a diversity of artists and arts organizations. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations that have been in existence for at least two years and are undertaking the commissioning, development and/or production of new work in theater, music composition, dance, puppetry, opera or interdisciplinary performance. The deadline for applications is March 27, 2004. Approximately \$1 million is available to fund up to 40 grants, ranging from \$15,000-\$50,000. For further information, contact Creative Capital at (212) 226-1677; or go to: <http://www.mapfund.org/generalinfo.html>.

## Resources & Announcements

**Apply Online for Freddie Mac Foundation Grants.** *The Freddie Mac Foundation* announces that grant seekers are now able to apply online for its grants and contributions. The Foundation encourages you to take advantage of this new service for its upcoming grant deadline on March 1, 2004. The online application is convenient, easy to use, and will allow the Foundation to respond more efficiently to requests. For further information, go to: [www.freddiemacfoundation.org/onlineapp/](http://www.freddiemacfoundation.org/onlineapp/).

**Conference Scholarship.** *The National Capital Gift Planning Council (NCGPC)* is offering scholarship opportunities for its eleventh annual conference - Planned Giving Days in Washington, May 13-14, 2004 - at the Key Bridge Marriott Hotel in Arlington, Virginia. The conference accommodates all levels of planned giving with four educational tracks geared to educate those individuals entering into the field of planned giving. In addition, new ideas will be presented to those individuals who have many years of experience in this area. Eligible applicants include representatives of a nonprofit organization who are committed to advancing gift planning at their institution but have budgetary constraints. The deadline for applications is April 9, 2004. For further information, contact Carlene Cooke at (301) 572-2099, (301) 572-2088-fax, or [carlenecooke@yahoo.com](mailto:carlenecooke@yahoo.com).

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## **Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC).**

*The Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD)* provides assistance to nonprofit and government representatives through a resource center at One Judiciary Square, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 200 South. The GIRC provides technical assistance that connects DC Government agencies, nonprofit and faith-based organizations to information about resources that improve community services in the city. The primary focus of the GIRC is to assist emerging and small nonprofits that either lack computer access or the knowledge to best use their existing computer technology to identify grant, capacity building, and other related resource information online. Featured in the GIRC are four workstations with funding research databases and access to the Internet. The Center also has a small library of printed materials. Access to the GIRC is free of charge but requires an appointment. **Call (202) 727-8900 to schedule an appointment.**

**Grant Writing Training.** *The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)* is offering a grant writing training session. Topics will cover how to become more competitive for federal grant funds, securing a 501(c)(3), and the organizational structure necessary to secure government funds. Participants will be able to review a successful HUD grant application. The session will take place March 3-4, 2004, 9:00am-4:30pm, New Chapel Baptist Church/Kairos Development Corporation Inc., 5601 Old Branch Avenue, Camp Springs, MD 20735. This training is free, but space is limited. Register by calling Mozelle Clemons at (202) 275-9200 x 3015 or William Hackney at x 3014. Please note that transportation will be provided from the Branch Avenue Metro Station to New Chapel Baptist Church.

## **Help Needed to Form National Grants**

**Management Standards.** *OMB Watch* is working to create sound policy for federal grants management. There are 2 opportunities for organizations to aid in creating this policy. (1) Financial Reporting - Focus groups will be conducted to assist in development of uniform financial standards for financial reporting on grants. Financial officers and nonprofit staff that handle financial reporting on federal grants are needed to participate. The focus group conference call will take place on March 25 at 2:00pm eastern time. (2) Streamlining - Nonprofit organizations are

needed to provide feedback regarding several steps that have been implemented to streamline the GRANTS.GOV find and apply processes. For further information and/or to participate, contact Abbey Tyrna, OMB Watch, (202) 234-8494, (202) 234-8584-fax, or [tyrnaa@ombwatch.org](mailto:tyrnaa@ombwatch.org).

**HIV/AIDS Conferences.** *The DC Department of Health (DOH)/HIV/AIDS Administration (HAA)* serves all DC residents who are at risk, infected with, and affected by HIV/AIDS. Because women and youth are at extremely high levels of risk and require immediate intervention tactics, DOH/HAA has revised its HIV/AIDS conference into a two-part program: Youth Assembly on March 2, 2004, 10am-2pm; and Women's Summit II on March 4, 2004, 8:30am-6:00pm. These programs are designed to address the issues, circumstances and behaviors that influence and affect the city's young people and women. Both events will take place at the new Washington Convention Center, 801 Mt. Vernon Place, NW (Mt. Vernon Sq/7th St. Convention Center - Yellow or Green Line). There is no admission fee but registration is required. To register for the Youth Assembly, youth (age 12-21) should register via a school administrator or go to: [www.dchealth.dc.gov](http://www.dchealth.dc.gov). To register for Women's Summit II, call (202) 724-8782. For further information, go to: [www.dchealth.dc.gov](http://www.dchealth.dc.gov).

**HIV/AIDS Grants Report.** *Funders Concerned About AIDS (FCAA)* released a report on U.S. private, institutional grantmaking commitments in 2001 and 2002 focused on HIV/AIDS in the U.S. and internationally. This report summarizes the most current data on HIV-related grant commitments from all sectors of U.S. philanthropy, including private, family and community foundations, public charities, and corporate grantmaking programs. For further information and to access the report, go to: [www.fcaids.org](http://www.fcaids.org).

**Neighborhood Citizen Summits.** *Mayor Anthony A. Williams* invites residents to a series of neighborhood-based sessions as a follow up to Citizens Summit III. The sessions will take place in each ward of the city and will allow for more intimacy and Q&A with the Mayor. The purpose will be to address issues such as the following: What did we learn from Citizen Summit III? How are we updating the long-range vision for



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the District? What are our priorities and initiatives for the 2005 budget? Join the Mayor and make your voice heard. All events begin at 7:00pm (doors will open at 6:00pm). The remaining sessions include:

**Tuesday, February 17 – ward 8**

Allen Chapel A.M.E. Church, 2498 Alabama Avenue, SE

**Wednesday, February 18 – ward 4**

Nativity School, 6008 Georgia Avenue, NW

**Thursday, February 19 – ward 2**

Kennedy Recreation Center – 7<sup>th</sup> & P Streets, NW

**Monday, February 23 – ward 1**

All Souls Church, 16<sup>th</sup> & Harvard Streets, NW

**Tuesday, February 24 – ward 7**

Boys & Girls Club, 4103 Benning Road, NE

**Thursday, February 26 – ward 6**

Sherwood Recreation Center, 1000 G St, NE

For more information, call the Office of Neighborhood Action at (202) 727-2822 or visit [www.neighborhoodaction.dc.gov](http://www.neighborhoodaction.dc.gov).

**President's Proposed 2005 Budget.** *The Center on Budget and Policy Priorities* has analyzed how the President's recently released proposed 2005 budget could affect your organization if you work with immigrants, children, youth, families, low-income people, or any of a number of groups. For further information, go to: [http://www.meyerfoundation.org/info-url3670/info-url\\_show.htm?doc\\_id=205368](http://www.meyerfoundation.org/info-url3670/info-url_show.htm?doc_id=205368).

**Proposal Writing Basics.** *The Foundation Center* will present Proposal Writing Basics, an introductory overview of the process for new proposal writers who represent nonprofit organizations. The class will cover the key components of a proposal, offer writing tips, and discuss cultivating prospective grantmakers. This first ever evening session will take place on February 24, 2004, 5:30pm-6:30pm, at the Foundation Center, 1627 K Street, NW, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Washington, DC 20006. This program is offered free of charge. Space is limited. For further information and to register, call (202) 331-1400; or go to: <http://www.fdncenter.org/washington/pwbdc.html>.

**Volunteers.** *The Mayor's Office of Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs (OAPIA)* has initiated a volunteer recruitment project. This purpose is to assist local API community organizations in recruiting more volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering or if you are an API organization in need of volunteers, contact Dory Peters at (202) 727-3120, (202) 727-9655-fax, or [dory.peters@dc.gov](mailto:dory.peters@dc.gov).

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